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A PROCLAMATION,

For a PUBLICK THANKSGIVING.

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Given at Our Court at St. *James*'s, the 18th Day of *May*, 1713. In the Twelfth Year of Our Reign.

God ſave the QUEEN.

The following Addreſs from the County of *Salop*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Robert Lloyd* and *John Kynaſton*, Eſqrs; Knights of the Shire for the ſaid County; being introduced by the Right Hon. Mr. Vice-Chamberlain.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the High-Sheriff, Juſtices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of *Salop*, at the Quarter Seſſions of the Peace held at *Shrewsbury*, the 14th of *April*, 1713.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign!

THO' we have happily had ſeveral very juſt Occaſions for Addreſſing Your Majeſty, yet ſure none more Signal than this hath at any time offer'd it ſelf to Your People.

We,

We, therefore, as in Duty bound, humbly beg Leave to return our ſincere Acknowledgments for Your Majeſty's moſt Gracious Speech to both Houſes of Parliament, at the Opening of this Seſſions, and at the ſame time to Congratulate Your Majeſty, upon the great Succeſs You had in procuring the Bleſſing of Peace, not in the leaſt doubting, but it is Honourable to Your ſelf, Advantageous to Your Subjects, and Juſt to Your Allies.

This Happineſs has been long wiſh'd for by Us, and we are throughly ſenſible of many Difficulties that have attended Your Majeſty in the accompliſhing ſo good a Work.

We are ſorry to find, that any who call themſelves Subjects of ſo gracious a QUEEN, and enjoy the Advantages of ſo Excellent a Government, ſhould ſtill ſhew themſelves Enemies to Your Peace.

But, God be thanked, their reſtleſs and malicious Endeavours are diſappointed by Your Majeſty's great Wiſdom, and the infatigable Application of Your Miniſtry.

And now we hope, that the Miſrepreſentations of thoſe Men of Factious Principles and Ill Deſigns, will no longer find Credit, even amongſt their own Partizans: For as the Proteſtant Succeſſion hath been well ſecur'd by our Laws at Home; ſo it is now own'd and recogniz'd by the ſeveral Potentates Abroad.

The entire Friendſhip between Your Majeſty and the Illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover, *gives us freſh Aſſurances, that the preſent Conſtitution in Church and State is built upon a ſure and laſting Foundation.*

May the GOD *of Peace Proſper and Reward all Your Majeſty's Endeavours for the Publick Good; and as the Glories of Your Reign will be the Wonder of Poſterity, ſo we ſhall ever pray to continue long under the happy Influences of the beſt of* QUEENS.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Tiverton*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by Mr. Attorney-General and *John Worth*, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament; being introduced by the Right Hon. Earl *Poulet*, Lord Steward of Her Majeſty's Houſhold.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Capital Burgeſſes, and Aſſiſtants of the Town and Pariſh of *Tiverton*, in the County of *Devon*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful Subjects, do humbly crave Leave to Congratulate Your Majeſty, on Your obtaining ſo good and honourable a Peace for the Eaſe and Welfare of all Your Majeſty's loving Subjects, and the Honour and Glory of Your Dominions, againſt all the Artifices of Factious and Ill-deſigning Men to Obſtruct the ſame.

We are fully ſatisfied of Your Sacred Majeſty's particular Care for the Proteſtant Succeſſion, and of the perfect Friendſhip which is between Your Royal Perſon and the moſt Illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover, *and do aſſuredly depend thereon; and ſhall always in our ſeveral Stations ſtudy and uſe our utmoſt Endeavours to manifeſt our Zeal and Duty to Your Majeſty for the ſame, and on all Occaſions exert our ſelves to diſappoint the Contrivances of any, that ſhall endeavour to diſturb Your Government.*

May Your Majeſty long Enjoy the Honour and Glory of ſo Advantageous and happy a Peace, with Length of Days, and the Hearts of all Your Subjects, and after this Life ended, may Your Majeſty receive an Eternal Crown of Glory; are and ever ſhall be the ſincere Wiſhes and devout Prayers of, MADAM, *Your Majeſty's moſt Loyal and Obedient Subjects.*

The following Addreſs from the City of *Bath*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Samuel Trotman* and *John Coddrington*, Eſqrs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament; being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Beaufort*.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common-Council of the City of *Bath*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign!

HAVING this Day proclaimed Your Majeſty's Peace within this City with all the Demonſtrations of a ſincere Joy, we now humbly beg Leave to approach Your Royal Preſence upon this ſo long wiſh'd-for an Occaſion, and with grateful Hearts and Affections to Congratulate Your having improved the Glorious Advantages of a Juſt War, ſo as to make them the happy Means of an Honourable Peace.

Your Majeſty's tender Regard for all Your Allies, and the many Advantages You have Obtain'd for Your Own Subjects, by extending and enlarging our Commerce in Foreign Countries, are ſo very evident, that we can't but think it ſtrange that any Perſon could miſtruſt or oppoſe Your prudent Conduct in putting an End to ſo tedious and expenſive a War: But ſince they ſee that Your Majeſty's ſuperior Wiſdom hath ſurmounted all Difficulties which were contrived to Obſtruct the Peace, they will have but little Reaſon, for the future, to hope for Succeſs from any Oppoſition they can make to Your Steddy and Wiſe Counſels, which are deſign'd for the Welfare of Your Kingdoms.

The right Underſtanding and perfect Friendſhip ſo prudently Cultivated between Your Majeſty and the Illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover *(notwithſtanding the malicious Attempts of Ill-deſigning Perſons to ſeparate Your Intereſts) evidently demonſtrate Your pious Care for the perpetual Eſtabliſhment of the Proteſtant Religion in theſe Realms.*

That Your Majeſty may always diſappoint the Deſigns of Factious Spirits, and live long to ſee the Effects and enjoy the Bleſſings of that Glorious Peace which You have with ſo much Difficulty procured, is the Prayer of Your Majeſty's truly Faithful and Loyal Subjects.

The following Addreſs, from the Borough of *New Woodſtock*, was Preſented by Sir *Thomas Wheate*, Bart. one of the Repreſentatives in Parliament for the ſaid Borough.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of Your Majeſty's Borough of *New Woodſtock*, in the County of *Oxon*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE have had ſo frequent Occaſions to join with our Fellow-Subjects to Congratulate the many wonderful Succeſſes that have ſo highly diſtinguiſhed Your Majeſty's moſt auſpicious Reign, that we cannot but with the moſt univerſal Satisfaction receive the Gracious Aſſurances which Your Majeſty has given your People that You have now procured an Honourable and Advantageous Peace.

We

We greatly rejoyce to see the Day when all Your Triumphs and Victories are Crowned in so glorious an Issue, that your Enemies were at length obliged to fly to your great Mercy and Goodness, and have been forced to sue for that which the Power of their Armies could never otherwise have obtained.

We have so entire a Dependance on Your Majesty's great Wisdom under so many repeated Instances of your Affection to all your Subjects, throughout the Course of your most happy Administration, that we cannot be under any Apprehensions as long as it shall please God to continue so invaluable a Blessing to your People.

Nothing can possibly transmit and preserve the Prosperity of these Kingdoms, and contribute more to unite us, than seeing Your Majesty not sollicitous only for our present Happiness, but to extend your most generous Regard and Views to Posterity, by taking the most effectual Method to calm all our Fears and Jealousies for the future, when you are pleased to inform us of the great Care you take of the Protestant Succession, and the perfect Friendship you entertain with the most Illustrious House of Hanover.

They must be obstinately blind to the true Interest of their Country, or can value or know very little of it, and will be found in the end the worst Enemies of our most excellent Constitution, who shall any ways endeavour to disturb so blessed an Harmony upon the Preservation of which the Religion, Liberty, and Welfare of these Nations do so entirely depend.

The following Address from the City of *Lincoln*, was Presented to Her Majesty by *Thomas Lyster*, Esq; one of the Representatives in Parliament for the said City; being Introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Abingdon*.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Commonalty of the ancient City of *Lincoln*.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, being truly sensible that Peace in it self is always preferable to the Uncertainties of War; but at this time much more to be valued and admired in the honourable and advantageous Terms which Your Majesty has by Your most prudent Management procured the same for the Glory, Interest, and Safety of Great Britain *and* Ireland.

A Work, although beset on all sides with many foreign Difficulties, and secret Machinations of disloyal and ill-designing Persons at home, yet most excellent in that it has fixed an Union and an entire Friendship between Your Majesty and the Illustrious House of Hanover, *and has corroborated that glorious Establishment of the Protestant Succession.*

We most humbly crave Leave with sincere Veneration to admire Your Majesty's most gracious Condescention (next to the Protection of Divine Providence) to place your Dependance upon the Loyalty and Security of your Subjects; an Act of that superlative Goodness, that ought in the highest degree to influence the Counsels and Actions of your Subjects, by obliging them to use their utmost Endeavours to secure your sacred Person and Government, to maintain the Church of England, *and the Liberties of all your Subjects.*

Your Majesty's affectionate Care is most conspicuous in the favourable Regard you have for a suitable Return and Provision for those Persons that have signalized themselves by Sea and Land for the Honour of their Country.

And Your Majesty is most respectively kind to your Subjects in the gracious Recommendation to your Parliament of the necessary Care of the Home-Trade, Manufactury and Fishery; Matters of the highest Consequence to these Kingdoms, to make them a People Great and Flourishing: but more especially that of the Fishery (although hitherto unsuccessfully undertaken) yet now, under Your Majesty's auspicious and prosperous Reign, very likely to become most advantageous to these happily United Kingdoms, by encreasing the Numbers of the Seamen and Shipping, which may at once prove the Bulwark and true Interest of these Kingdoms.

May Your Majesty's Undertakings be attended with the peculiar Blessings of God Almighty, and be for the Honour and Safety of your Royal Person, the Security of our Religion and Liberties; and your Reign be long, glorious, and happy over us: Which shall be the constant Prayers of your most Obedient and Loyal Subjects.

The following Address from the Borough of *Appleby* in the County of *Westmorland*, was Presented to Her Majesty by *Edward Duncomb* and *Thomas Lutwyche* Esquires, Representatives in Parliament for the said Borough; being Introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Viscount *Bolingbroke*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common-Council, Free Burghers, and other Inhabitants of Your Majesty's ancient and loyal Borough of *Appleby* in the County of *Westmorland*; attended by the Deputy-Sheriff, neighbouring Clergy and Gentry, met to Proclaim the Peace in the said Borough.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

CONsidering the strenuous Opposition that was made both at Home and Abroad, in order to obstruct Your Majesty's gracious Designs, and render your pious Endeavours for Peace ineffectual, we cou'd not reasonably have expected the Blessing of the Olive-branch so soon; but, to our great Surprize and Satisfaction, we find that nothing is too difficult for Your Majesty's consummate Wisdom, and the indefatigable Industry of your faithful Ministers to accomplish.

We have had frequent Occasions (Madam) *to admire your exalted Genius in the Operations of a long and expensive War, which You managed with such a wise and steady Conduct, and pushed on with such an intrepid Resolution, as bespoke You truly Great; and we have often had the Pleasure to Congratulate the Triumphs of your Victorious Arms: But 'tis with a Joy unspeakable, that we address our Thanks to Your Majesty for putting a happy End to the bloody Controversy, and restoring Peace and Tranquillity to so great a part of* Europe. *We receive the Blessing as from Heaven; We heartily thank God, the Author of it; We reverence the Royal Instrument, and bless the charitable Hand that reach'd it to us; We dutifully and gratefully acquiesce in what Your Majesty has done; We zealously and devoutly pray for your long Life and Happiness; and We humbly beg Leave to assure Your Majesty, that whatever Duty, Fidelity, or chearful Obedience is due from the best of Subjects to the best of Sovereigns, shall never be wanting in us to the very utmost of our Capacities. We have formerly made it our Business, and shall still continue our Endeavours, to be Represented in your Parliaments by Men of Probity and Integrity, Men that love their Queen, their Country, the Constitution, and the Establish'd Succession in the Illustrious House of* Hanover; *and Men of a pacifick Temper, who will spare no Pains to cultivate a good Understanding, and preserve that Peace which Your Majesty has taken so much Pains to procure for us, and for which the sacred Oracles allow us to call you Blessed.*

That Your Majesty's Reign may still be glorious, that You may long continue (what You already are) a bright and shining Example of Virtue, Goodness, and Justice

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to all Crown'd Heads, the Preſerver of Europe's *Liberties, and the Joy and Delight of your own People, is the conſtant and fervent Prayer of,* Madam, *Your Majeſty's moſt Loyal, moſt Dutiful, and moſt Obedient Subjects.*

The following Addreſs from the City of *Litchfield*, was Preſented to Her Majeſty by *John Cotes* and *Richard Dyot*, Eſquires, their Repreſentatives in Parliament, with other Gentlemen of that City, and County of *Stafford*; being Introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Viſcount *Weymouth*, Recorder of that City.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Bayliffs and Citizens of Your Majeſty's Ancient and Loyal City of *Litchfield.*

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

THE continued Series of Succeſs wherewith it hath pleaſed the Almighty to bleſs the Juſtice of your Arms, having, by the Wiſdom of your Councils, been improved into the happy Means of reſtoring Peace *to theſe Kingdoms, and not made uſe of as an Argument againſt it, according to ſome late Schemes; We beg Leave, with all Humility and Chearfulneſs, to Congratulate Your Majeſty upon this happy Occaſion, who being affected with a tender Compaſſion for the Good of your People, and a juſt Senſe of the Calamities they were ſubjected to by a long and expenſive War, have given them an equal Inſtance of your Goodneſs and Wiſdom, by delivering them from it upon ſafe and honourable Terms. Nor can we think our ſelves juſtly entitled to the many Bleſſings ſecured to us by this Treaty, without aſſuring Your Majeſty of our grateful Acknowledgments for the Care you have taken in it of the Proteſtant Succeſſion, thereby tranſmitting to Poſterity the great Advantages that accrue to your Kingdoms in Your Majeſty's Reign.*

May Your Majeſty long live to enjoy the Fruits of this Peace, *to ſee your People gather in the Treaſures of the whole Earth, and grow great by their honeſt Induſtry, always moſt thankfully acknowledging her Wiſdom and Goodneſs that gave them the Means to be Happy.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Calne*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *William Hedges*, Eſq; one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful Subjects, the Guild Stewards, Burgeſſes, Gentlemen, and other the principal Inhabitants of Your Majeſty's ancient Borough of Calne, *in the County of* Wilts, *humbly beg leave to Congratulate Your Majeſty upon the Concluſion of the Peace: The Succeſs of that important Affair is owing to Your Majeſty's pious Care, and great Concern for the Intereſt of Your People, the Advantages whereof muſt neceſſarily increaſe their Joy, as by degrees they ſhall repair the Expences they have borne, during ſo long and burthenſome a War. And we cannot ſufficiently expreſs our Gratitude for Your Majeſty's great Wiſdom and Goodneſs, in recommending to Your Parliament the Conſideration of proper Methods for the encouragement of the* Britiſh *Trade and Manufactures, which will be an Employment for the Poor, and redound to the Benefit of the preſent and future Ages: And ſince our Religion and Liberties are ſo firmly eſtabliſhed in Your Majeſty's Reign, and aſſured by the* Proteſtant *Succeſſion in the Illuſtrious Houſe of* Hanover, *we have nothing elſe to wiſh, but that Your Majeſty may enjoy the Fruits of this Peace in a long and proſperous Reign over a dutiful and loyal People, towards which we ſhall contribute all that is in our Power, and continue to ſend ſuch Repreſentatives to Parliament, from time to time, as are loyal Subjects to Your Majeſty, and faithful Members of the Church of* England *as by Law Eſtabliſhed.*

The following Addreſs from the City of *Hereford*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by the Honourable *James Brydges*, Eſq; *Thomas Foley*, Eſq; and *Thomas Church*, Gent. being introduced by the Lord High Treaſurer.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Hereford, *do humbly beg leave to approach Your Royal Preſence, with our ſincere Congratulations upon the terminating of a long and expenſive War.*

Your Majeſty hath been always fortunate in all the Occurrences of Your Reign, but happier ſtill in crowning the ſame with Peace: The many Difficulties Your Majeſty met with in the Progreſs thereof, have ſerved only to render Your Attainment the more glorious.

Your Auſpicious Reign is render'd as dear to Your People, by Your Goodneſs, as it hath been formidable to Your Enemies by Your Power.

A ſignal Inſtance of Your Majeſty's Deſire and Endeavour to eſtabliſh and ſecure the publick Felicity, appears in Your tender Concern and Regard for the Proteſtant Succeſſion in the Illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover.

May Your Majeſty long enjoy the Bleſſings and Comforts of Peace, and may Time long ſpare ſo precious and neceſſary a Life.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Preſton*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by the Right Hon. the Lord *Berkeley* of *Stratton*, Chancellor of the Dutchy of *Lancaſter*.

To the QUEEN'S moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Common Council, Gentlemen, Freemen and other Inhabitants of Your Majeſty's Borough of *Preſton*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaſter.*

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, beg leave humbly to approach Your Sacred Perſon with Hearts full of Thankfulneſs, for procuring a happy, glorious and honourable Peace for Your People and Your Allies.

We are deeply ſenſible of the many Bleſſings we enjoy under Your Majeſty's auſpicious Adminiſtration; and the indefatigable Care and Pains taken by Your Majeſty, in putting an end to a bloody and expenſive War, eminently ſhews Your tender and continual regard for the Welfare and Proſperity not only of all Your Subjects, but alſo of all Europe.

'Tis with the greateſt Satisfaction, we find that the Glory and Honour of perfecting and accompliſhing this great Work, is ſolely owing to Your Majeſty: All Difficulties and Oppoſition being ſurmounted and overcome by Your conſummate Wiſdom and Prudence.

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May Your Majesty's Reign be long and prosperous, and that You may be rewarded with the Blessing pronounced to Peacemakers, *is the hearty and sincere Prayers of Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects.*

The following Address from the Borough of *Plymouth*, was Presented to Her Majesty by Sir *George Byng*, Kt. one of their Representatives in Parliament.

To the QUEEN's *most Excellent Majesty,*

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Magistrates, Common-Council-Men, Gentlemen, Merchants, Freemen, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Plymouth*, in the County of *Devon*.

Most Dread Sovereign,

AS Your Sacred Majesty hath, upon frequent Occasions, been pleas'd to admit our Addresses, congratulating, in the Course of the late War, the many and great Successes of Your Arms both by Sea and Land, (so much to the Glory of Your Majesty's Reign and the Honour of the British *Nation;) so we beg Leave now to approach Your Royal Presence, with the humblest Expressions of our Duty, to Congratulate Your Majesty for the more valuable Blessing of* Peace, *which by your consummate Wisdom, is at last most happily effected. We presume also, in most humble manner, to render Your Majesty our sincerest Acknowledgments of your generous and pious Care, for the Good of your People, in all other Instances of it, those particularly which look beyond Your Self and Us, even to future Generations; by the Provisions made in the late Treaties for preserving the Succession, as by our Laws settled in the Illustrious House of* Hanover, *and thereby esplein to your Kingdoms their Religious as well as Civil Rights and Liberties.*

That Almighty God, in his good Providence, will be pleas'd long to continue Your Majesty the great and glorious Instrument of Dispensing his Favours to Us and our Posterity, is the very hearty and unfeigned Prayer of Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Obedient Subjects.

Which Addresses Her Majesty received very graciously.

Constantinople, March 28. About a Month ago Orders were given that the Muscovite Ambassadors, who for some time had been Prisoners in the Seven Towers, should have more liberty and be better treated than they were before. Soon after the Port sent to them to know whether they had full Powers to negotiate a Treaty of Peace. They answer'd they had, and were ready to do it, if they might have leave to go to Adrianople for that Purpose. This was immediately granted, and on the 24th they set out with a Capigi-Bachi, towards that Place. The Persons who were to provide the Army with Bread and other Necessaries during the Campaign, had received a great part of the Money that was to be advanc'd them for that Service, and they presented a Memorial for the remainder, but instead of being paid, they were ordered to restore what they had already received. From hence it is believed the Port will not ingage in a new War this Summer: notwithstanding which, it is not doubted but the Grand Signior will take care of the King of Sweden's Interests, since he hath given his Majesty Satisfaction for the late Outrage committed against him, by disgracing and punishing all those who were concerned in it. The Seraskier of Bender is ordered to be Beheaded: The Tartar Han is deposed, and banished to Scio; and his Brother, who had been in his Place before, is sent for to succeed him a second Time. The Capitan Pashaw is made Grand Vizir, and the Vizir Azem Soliman descends to the Employment of Capitan Pashaw. It is said the former is to command the Convoy design'd for the King of Sweden, and he hath been directed to prepare a new Equipage for his Majesty, instead of that which was plunder'd and lost at Bender. The late Vizir, a little before his Deposition, sent that Prince a Letter with a Present of Two thousand Ducats, Two Horses with rich Furniture, and several other things, which after some Difficulty he was prevailed on to accept.

Florence, May 2. *N. S.* Some Days ago the Great Duke, and Prince Gaston went by Water to Pisa. The Electoral Prince of Saxony is gone to the same Place, to be present at the Ceremony of a Chapter, which is to be held there by the Knights of St. Stephen. The usual Methods are continued here for preventing the Plague from spreading into Tuscany, but we are under some apprehensions that it may be communicated among us by means of the German Recruits, which it is said his Imperial Majesty is resolved to send into Italy, in spight of all Opposition. We have received advice, that the French and Spaniards have lately reinforced the Garrison of Porto Longone in the Island of Elba. It consists at present of Two thousand five hundred Men, and Stores of all kind arrive there daily. This has given occasion to the Imperialists to suspect some Design may be form'd on the Kingdom of Naples, for which reason they have in like manner provided all their Garrisons with Men and Ammunition. The Vice Roy has lately launch'd and fitted out a new Man of War of Fifty four Guns, called the Leopold, which is to Sail very soon for Barcelona.

Vienna, May 10. *N. S.* On the 5th the Empress Dowager Amelia, went with the Arch Dutchesses her Daughters, to visit the Emperor at Laxemberg, and having dined with his Majesty, she returned in the Evening to Town. Count Thierheim is appointed to be Commissary-General of War, and Yesterday he took the Oath for that Employment, which had been vacant for some time. It is said his Imperial Majesty is resolved to continue the War against France, and Prince Eugene is preparing to set out very soon, in order to command the Army on the Rhine. The Polish Ministers here, have received Letters from Adrianople, informing them that the Ambassador of the Republick was in Treaty with the Reis Effendi and the Capitan Pashaw, who were Commissioned by the Port to hear his Proposals. The same advices add, that the Muscovite Ambassadors were released out of Prison, and sent for to Adrianople to assist at the Conferences that were to be held there.

Berlin, May 13. *N. S.* On the eighth the young Princess of Prussia was baptized, without much Ceremony, and named Charlotte Albertina. The same Day Count Schonborn had a long Audience of his Majesty. Monsieur Beveren, Envoy from the Elector Palatin, had likewise an Audience of Leave, and set out for Cassell pursuant to Instructions he had received from his Master to that purpose. On the tenth the King went again to Weysterhausen, from whence he intends to go in a few Days to Brandebourg, to review the Regiment of Count Vinck, and we are assured his Majesty will go immediately afterwards to Cleves.

St. James, May 19. This Day Her Majesty removed from hence to Kensington.

London, May 22. On Wednesday Morning the Right Reverend Dr. Sprat, Bishop of Rochester and Dean of Westminster, died of an Apoplexy at the Episcopal Seat of Bromley in Kent.

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